In the Specification:

Please amend and substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 3, as follows:

With this design, reaction forces generated by the first X mover 230A are directly transferred to the first reaction subassembly 234A and reaction forces generated by the second X mover 230B are directly transferred to the second reaction subassembly 234B. For example, when the first X mover 230A applies a force to the stage 206 along the X axis, ~~and~~ an equal and opposite force along the X axis is directly transferred to the first reaction subassembly 234A. Similarly, when the second X mover 230B applies a force to the stage 206 along the X axis, ~~and~~ an equal and opposite force along the X axis is directly transferred to the second reaction subassembly 234B.

Please amend and substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 12, as follows:

In Figure 3A, a part of each of the subassemblies 334A, 334B moves independently along the X axis and a part of the subassemblies 334A, 334B move concurrently along the Y axis relative to the stage base 302 and the mounting ~~surface~~ area 312.

Please amend and substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 9, as follows:

The first mass support 352A supports the first mass 350A relative to the surface of the mounting ~~surface~~ area 312 (illustrated in Figure 3A) and allows for motion of the first mass 350A relative to the mounting area 312 and the stage base 302 (illustrated in Figure 3A) along the X axis, along the Y axis, and about the Z axis. Somewhat similarly, second mass support 352B supports the second mass 350B relative to the mounting area 312 and allows for motion of the second mass 350B relative to the

mounting area 312 and the stage base 302 along the X axis, along the Y axis, and about the Z axis.

Please amend and substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 25, as follows:

In Figure 3C, (i) the first trim assembly 354A includes a first X mass trim mover 376A that adjusts the position of the first mass 350A along the X axis relative to the first X guide 372A, a first X guide trim mover 376B that adjusts the position of the first X guide 372A relative to the stage base 302 along the X axis, and a pair of spaced apart first Y trim movers 376C that cooperate to adjust the position of the first mass 350A and the first X guide 372A relative to the first Y guide 372B along the Y axis and about the Z axis; and (ii) the second trim assembly 354B includes a second X mass trim mover 378A that adjusts the position of the second mass 350B along the X axis relative to the second X guide 374A, a second X guide trim mover 378B that adjusts the position of the second X guide 374A relative to the stage base 302 along the X axis, and a pair of spaced apart second Y trim movers 378C that cooperate to adjust the position of the second mass 350B and the second X guide 374A relative to the second Y guide 374B along the Y axis and about the Z axis. Additionally, in this embodiment, the stator component 380A of each X guide trim mover 376B, 378B can be secured to the surface of the mounting ~~surface~~ area 312 (illustrated in Figure 3A) with a reaction frame (not shown) or another structure.

Please amend and substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 26, line 26, as follows:

In Figure 4A, at least a part of each of the subassemblies 434A, 434B moves independently along the X axis and the subassemblies 434A, 434B move concurrently along the Y axis relative to the stage base 402 and the mounting ~~surface~~ area 412.